

## House Resolution No. 3390

**Whereas**, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives were truly saddened to learn of the death of longtime Missourian, Rebecca Jaramillo, who died on Friday, May 13, 2005, at the age of sixty-five; and

**Whereas**, born in Parsons, Kansas, Rebecca Jaramillo was the beloved daughter of immigrants from Mexico; and

**Whereas**, after the completion of her high school studies, Rebecca Jaramillo moved to the Kansas City area and diligently set about doing everything she could to improve the lives of those around her; and

**Whereas**, Rebecca Jaramillo was a cofounder of Fiesta Hispana, which grew to become one of the area's largest Latino events; cofounder, executive director, and chairwoman emerita of the Greater Kansas National Hispanic Heritage Committee; and member of the boards of directors for Model Cities, the United States Office of Economic Opportunity and Human Resources, the League of United Latin American Women, the Panel of American Women, the Incorporated Mexican American Government Employees, and other outstanding organizations; and

**Whereas**, after Clara Reyes founded Dos Mundos, Rebecca Jaramillo joined her in her journalistic enterprise and helped proofread, write articles, and fulfill the duties and responsibilities of associate editor; and

**Whereas**, Rebecca Jaramillo served as a voice of reason, reconciliation, and inspiration within the Latino community; and

**Whereas**, no stranger to honors and accolades, Rebecca Jaramillo was the recipient of an I. Pat Rios Award from the Guadalupe Center in 2002; and

**Whereas**, Rebecca Jaramillo is survived by her husband of forty-four years, Joe Jaramillo; three children; and five grandchildren:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to memorialize the life and work of Rebecca Jaramillo and to convey this legislative body's most heartfelt condolences to her family members, colleagues, friends, and neighbors who now miss her considerable strength, warmth, and light in their daily lives; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in memory of Rebecca Jaramillo of Kansas City, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Sharon Sanders Brooks  
District No. 37

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do  
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No. 3390, adopted May 16, 2005.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker